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Captured from the rafters, this series showcases moments from the 37th edition of the World Christmas Circus, hosted at Theater Carré in Amsterdam in December 2023. Known as the "Wereldkerstcircus" in Koninklijk Theater Carré, this event has consistently earned its reputation as the "family festival of the year," and 2023 was no exception.

Founded by Oscar Carré, the Royal Theater Carré inaugurated its first Christmas circus on December 3, 1887—136 years ago. It remains an unparalleled venue for experiencing the magic of the circus. The World Christmas Circus transcends the traditional circus experience; it's a grand festival that unites some of the globe's most renowned circus acts for a two-week extravaganza in Amsterdam.

Featuring luminaries such as Bella Nock, hailed by Time Magazine as the world's premier clown, Yann Rossi—a clown virtuoso proficient in over 20 musical instruments—Viktoriia Dziuba, a mesmerizing contortionist and balancing artist, the awe-inspiring Flying Caballero acrobats, illusionist Sergii Stupakov with his extraordinary card tricks, Maria Sarach interpreting Mondrian through acrobatics, juggler Viktor Kee, and the equine whisperer Alex Giona, the World Christmas Circus is a spectacle beyond compare. Enhanced by a live orchestra, creative lighting, and seamless collaboration among the circus crew, the Circus exuded a harmonious and Hollywood-esque ambiance, making it an unforgettable evening.

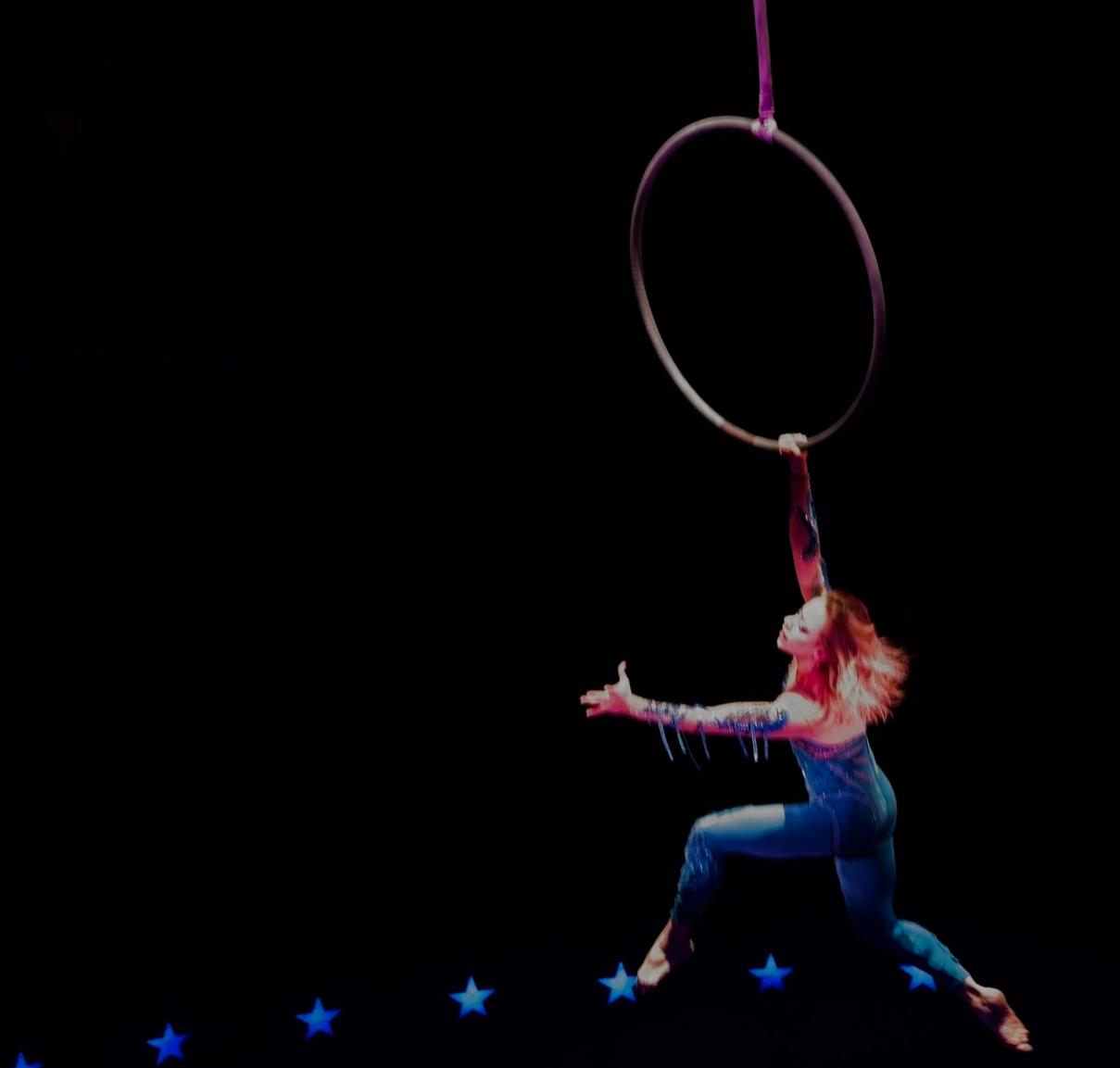
The opportunity to capture these moments with photographs was a delightful Christmas surprise. Theater Carré typically enforces a strict "no photos" policy, but the ringmaster of the Stardust Circus International, at the onset of the evening, graciously permitted photography and videography, stipulating only that flash not be used. Despite being seated high up and at a great distance from the main ring, it proved to be a splendid chance to capture the artistry of some of the world's most creative circus performers.







































































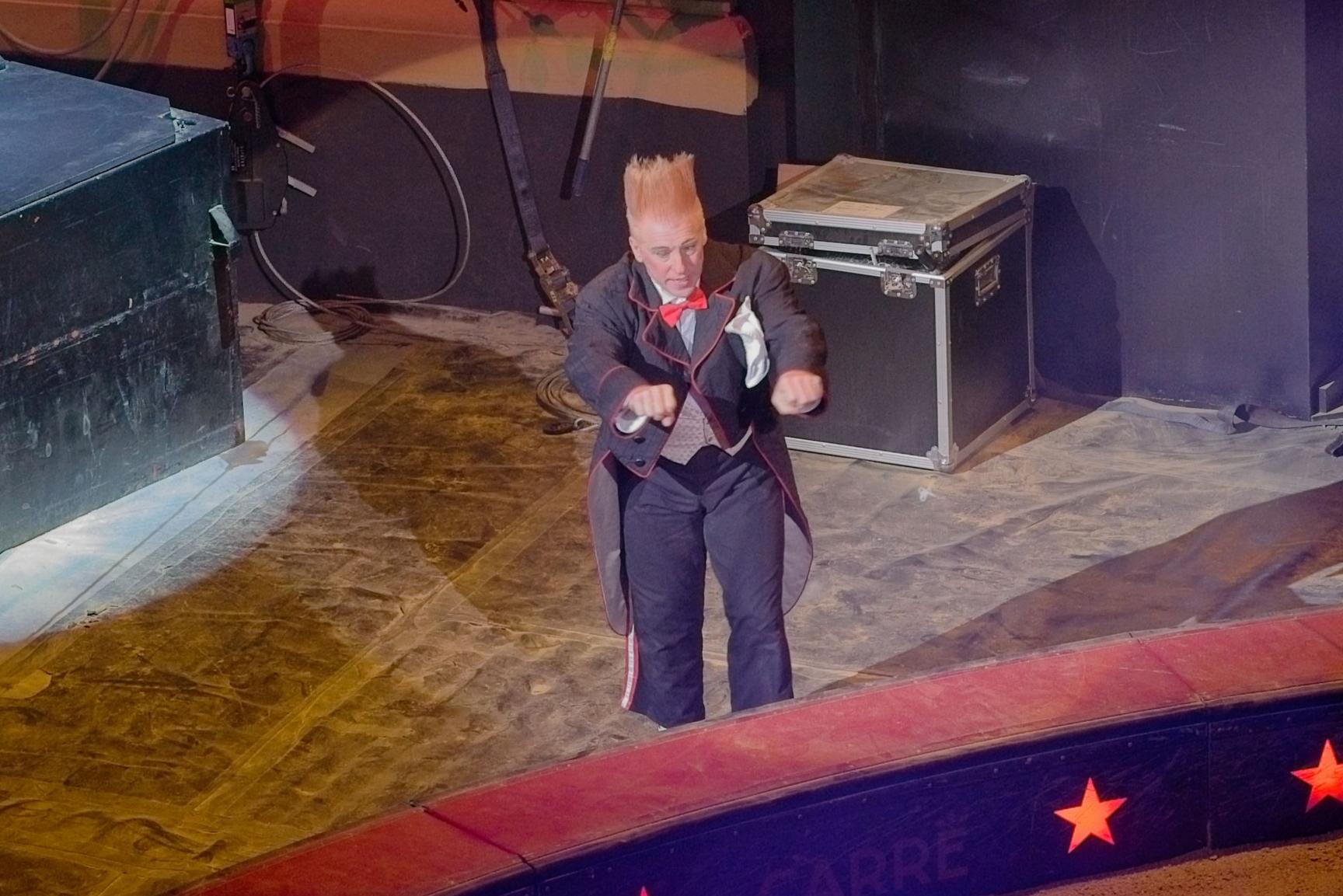








































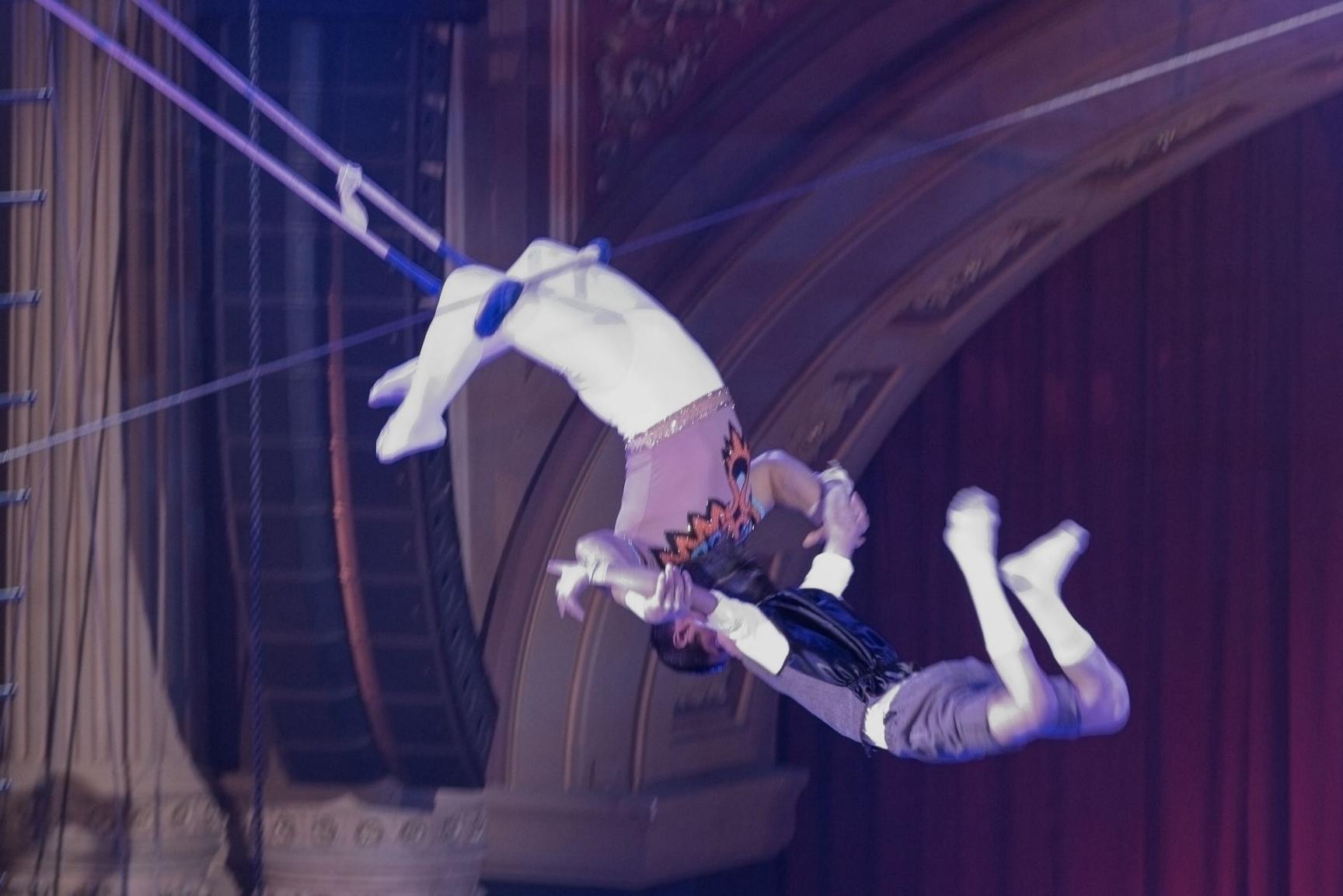






















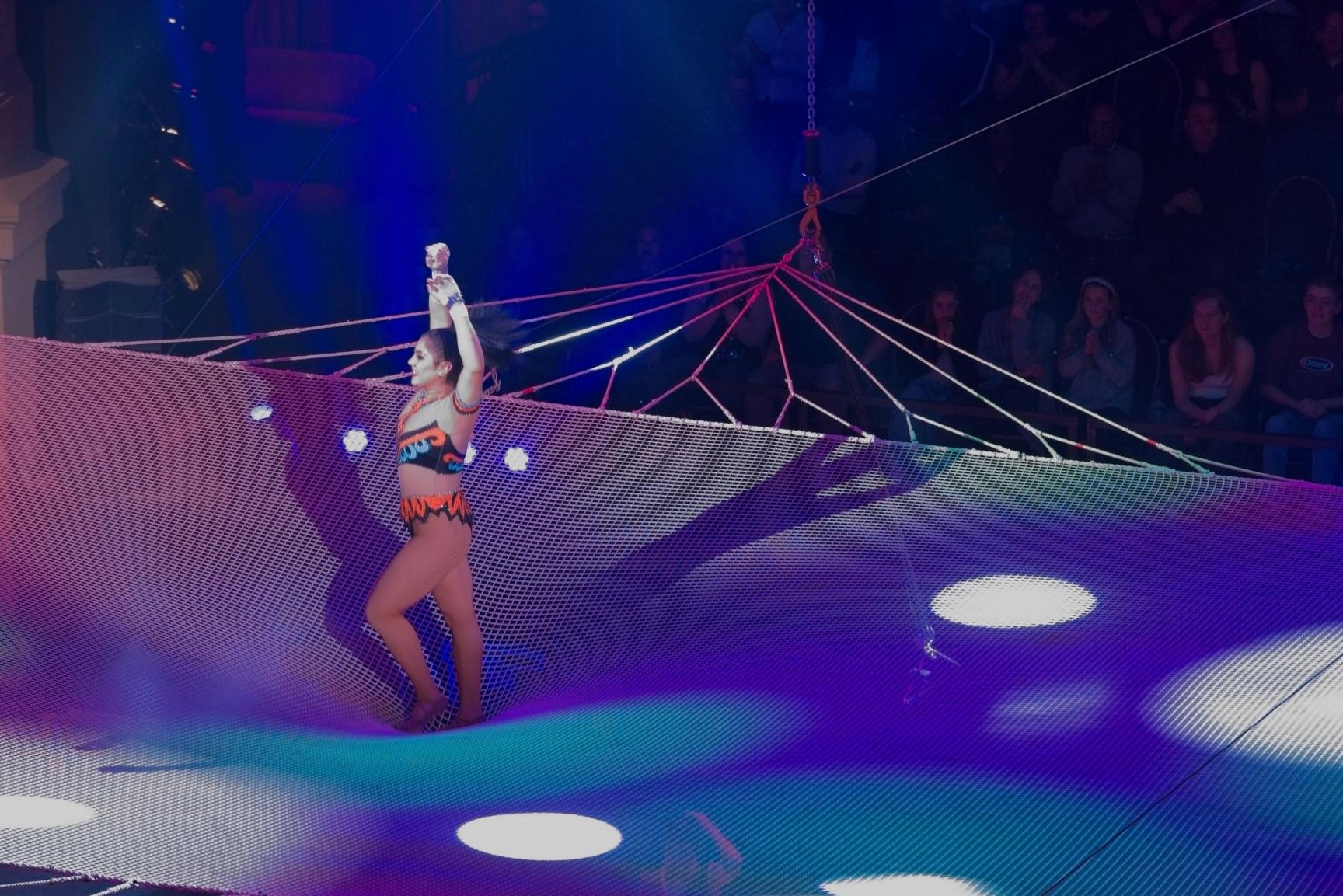




















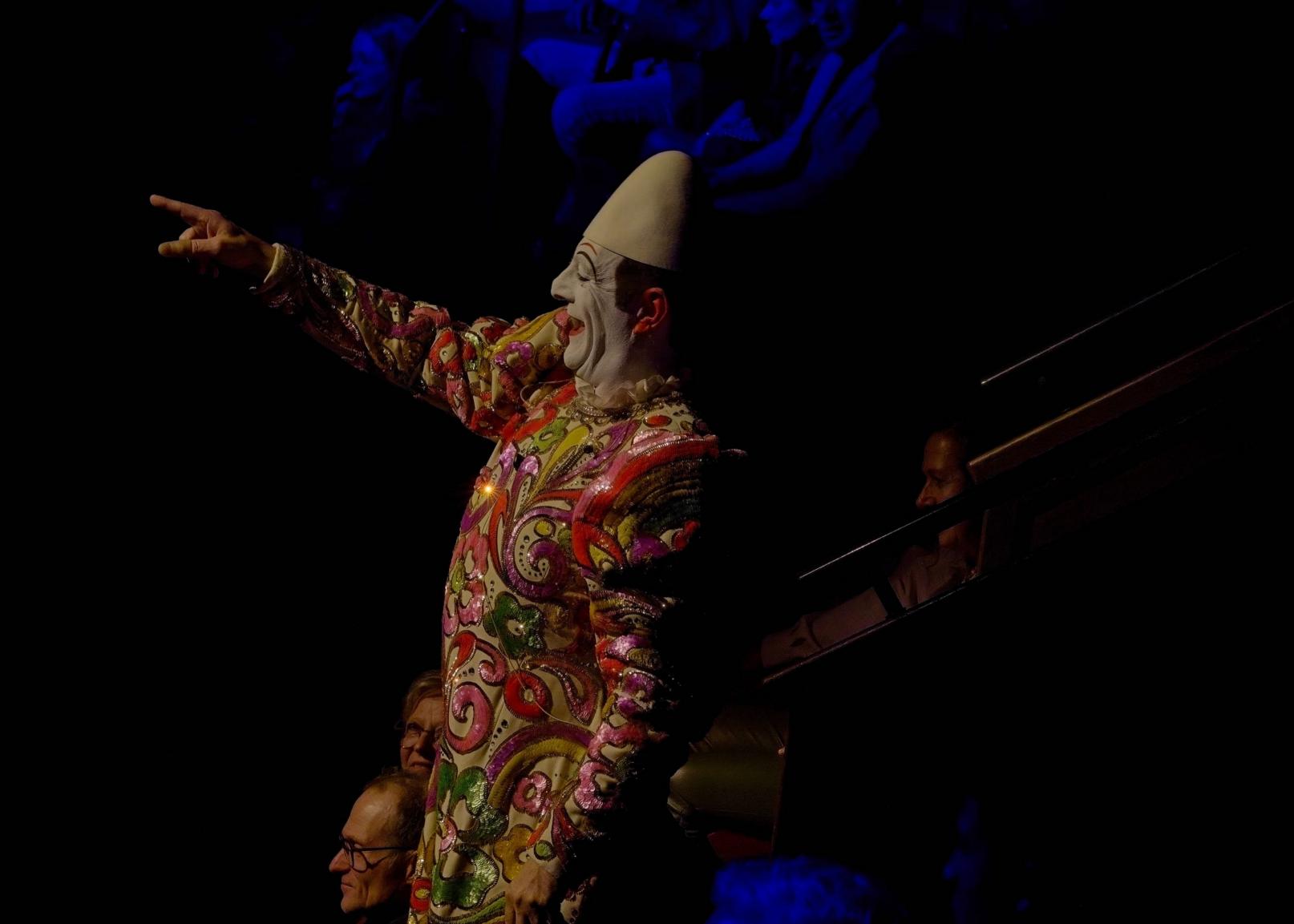








































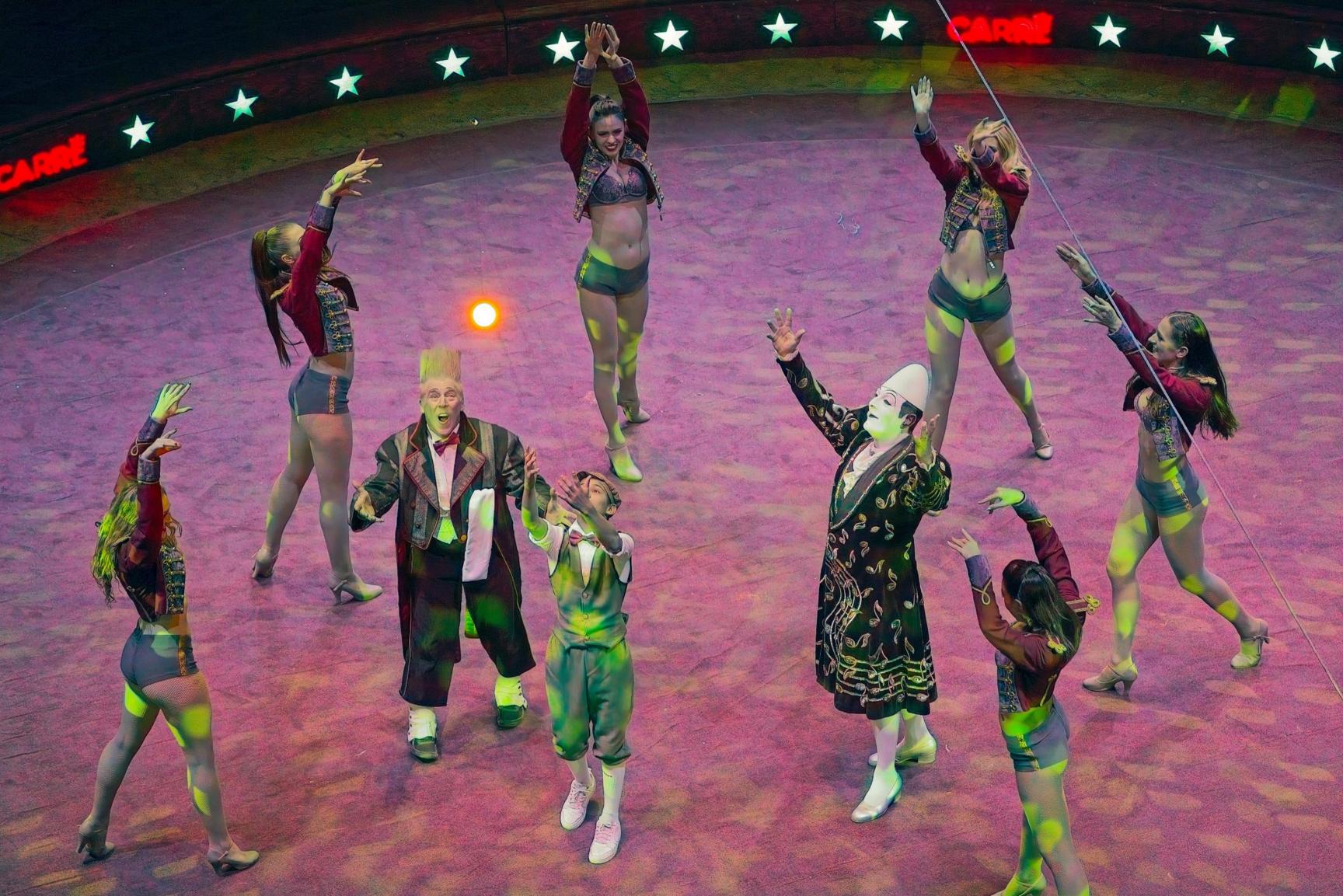
















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